Resolution authorizing the settlement of a claim for damage to a 2013 Ford Escape (Fleet Management)

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2016, Franklin County Probate Court vehicle #392, driven by William Lewis, was involved in an auto accident; and

WHEREAS, the operator of vehicle #392 was travelling northbound on 4th Street at the intersection of Town Street; and

WHEREAS, Shayla Wigand was traveling eastbound on Town Street and failed to stop for the red light, a violation of Columbus City Code Sec. 2113.01(A), disobeying a traffic control device, and collided with vehicle #392 resulting in total damage to vehicle #392; and

WHEREAS, Progressive Insurance Company, the automobile insurance carrier for Shayla Wigand and John Kennedy the owner of the vehicle, has offered to pay seventeen thousand five hundred fifty two and 80/100 dollars (\$17,552.80) to the Franklin County Commissioners, for the property damage to vehicle #392 and in settlement of the property damage portion of this claim; and

WHEREAS, there may be bodily injury claims arising out of this incident; however, this resolution only authorizes settlement of the property damage to the vehicle and not any potential bodily injury claims; and

WHEREAS, the above described settlement was recommended by Fleet Management and the Franklin County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, and fairly compensates for the property damage to vehicle #392; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners deems it to be in the best interest to accept the same in full settlement of the property damage claim; and therefore

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO;

- 1. That the above-referenced settlement for the property damage to the vehicle in the amount seventeen thousand five hundred fifty two and 80/100 dollars (\$17,552.80) is in the best interests of the Franklin County Commissioners and Franklin County Probate Court and the same is hereby approved.
- 2. That upon receipt of seventeen thousand five hundred fifty two and 80/100 dollars (\$17,552.80) from Progressive Insurance Company, the above-referenced property damage claim shall be settled between Shayla Wigand, her successors and assigns, and/or her heirs, executors and administrators, and also any and all other persons, associations, and corporations who may be jointly and severally liable to the Franklin County Commissioners, and the Franklin County Commissioners. This settlement and release do not in any way affect any possible bodily injury claims that may be asserted.
- 3. The Franklin County Commissioners authorize the Director of Fleet Management to sign the necessary title documents for transfer of the salvage vehicle #392.

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